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CORTICAL BONE ASSEMBLED  
IMPLANT”  
(AS AMENDED)**


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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 12/15/04, for which a Response was due 03/15/05, now extended one (1) month to 04/15/05, the Applicants hereby request the entry of the following amendments before consideration of the arguments on the merits.

Amendments to the claims:

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Remarks:

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